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Report of infectious disease in Japan from July 11 to July 25, 1899.

Locality.	Dysentery.		Plague.		Cholera.		Smallpox.	
	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.
Kioto Fu.....	59	7						
Osaka Fu.....	47	8						
Tokyo Fu.....	299	54						
Aichi Ken.....	223	29						
Akita Ken.....								
Awomori Ken.....	13	15						
Chiba Ken.....	243	53						
Fukui Ken.....	159	11						
Fukuoka Ken.....	223	19						
Fukushima Ken.....	735	78						
Gifu Ken.....	202	32						
Gumma Ken.....	546	123						
Hioo Ken.....	121	21						
Hiroshima Ken.....	65	14						
Ibaraki Ken.....	430	84						
Ishikawa Ken.....	32	7						
Iwate Ken.....	21	4						
Kagawa Ken.....	28	3						
Kagoshima Ken.....	196	26						
Kanagawa Ken.....	279	93						
Kochi Ken.....	81	9						
Kumamoto Ken.....	197	34						
Miyagi Ken.....	22							
Miyazaki Ken.....	56	9						
Miye Ken.....	43	8						
Nagano Ken.....	527	68						
Nagasaki Ken.....	100	22						
Nara Ken.....	27	3						
Niigata Ken.....	707	88						
Oita Ken.....	95	25						
Okayama Ken.....	101	14						
Okinawa Ken.....	2							
Saga Ken.....	6	1						
Saitama Ken.....	372	75						
Shidzuoka Ken.....	396	87						
Shiga Ken.....	16	2						
Shimane Ken.....	48	9						
Tochigi Ken.....	138	18						
Tokushima Ken.....	18	1						
Tottori Ken.....	16	3						
Toyama Ken.....	44	10						
Wakayama Ken.....	83	12						
Yamagata Ken.....	39	6						
Yamaguchi Ken.....	33	3						
Yamanashi Ken.....	592	97						
Yehime Ken.....	92	12						
The Hokkaido.....	1	1						
Taiwan (Formosa) ..								

MEXICO.

Weekly reports of inspection service in Mexico.

MEXICO, MEXICO, August 8, 1899.

SIR: I have the honor to make my weekly report as follows: At City of Mexico, for the week ended August 7, 59 passengers for the United States via the Mexican-Texas frontier were inspected, 56 were passed, and 3 were detained, and 5 pieces of baggage disinfected. For the same period, 3 passengers for Havana and New York via Vera Cruz were passed, after their baggage, amounting to 5 pieces was disinfected. At Monterey, for the week ended August 5, 42 passengers were inspected and passed without detention or disinfection. The health of Monterey is still reported good. In accordance with orders issued from this office, the inspector of the Marine-Hospital Service at Monterey labels, for the information of the quarantine officers at the border, all box cars coming from and remaining in noninfected territory. At San

Luis Potosi, for the week ended August 5, 8 passengers were inspected and passed.

Respectfully, yours,

L. E. COFER,

Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SUPERVISING SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

MEXICO, MEXICO, *August 15, 1899.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that for the week ended August 14, 1899, 67 passengers bound for the United States were inspected at City of Mexico. Of this number, 66 were passed without detention or disinfection, and 1 was detained and baggage disinfected. For the same period, 10 passengers bound for Havana and New York via Vera Cruz were inspected and passed. On August 14 the effects of a man who died of yellow fever in one of the hotels here were thoroughly disinfected by this office. The man was an American who contracted the fever at Vera Cruz and was on his way to the border at the time the disease developed. The possible chance of this baggage being forwarded to the States was the reason for the action taken. At Monterey, for the week ended August 11, 51 passengers bound for the United States were inspected and passed. At San Luis Potosi, for the week ended August 12, 8 passengers bound for the United States were inspected and passed. The inspector of the Marine-Hospital Service at Monterey reports the health of that place and also of Tampico to be good. I have notified all quarantine officers of the supposed existence of yellow fever at Tuxpan.

Respectfully, yours,

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Report of inspection of Jalapa.

MEXICO, MEXICO, *August 9, 1899.*

SIR: I have the honor to make the following report on my inspection of the town of Jalapa, at which place I arrived on the morning of August 8: Jalapa lies on the line of the Interoceanic Railroad, at a distance of 81 miles from Vera Cruz, and 257 miles from the City of Mexico. It is situated on the mountain side at an altitude of 4,383 feet, and at an average grade of 5 per cent. These conditions insure, respectively, an evenness of temperature and a perfect natural drainage, which tend to substantiate the reports of the remarkable healthfulness of this town. The annual death rate from all causes is purported to be about 1,200 out of a population of about 25,000. This is probably not correct. I called upon the district treasurer at Jalapa, and after stating my business and explaining that I had visited the town in the interest of passenger traffic between Mexico and the United States, and wanted to learn the truth from the official records, that I might correct any erroneous reports as to the presence of yellow fever in Jalapa, which would naturally exist by reason of the proximity of this town to Vera Cruz, I requested permission to examine the health statistics in the registrar's office. This request was elaborately and courteously refused, and I was informed that no cases of yellow fever had existed in Jalapa this year. In view of the fact that only a few moments before this the clerk of the hotel where I was stopping had told me of 1 case